SAIS Changes for the 2003-2004 School Year

Following are the required changes to the SAIS system for the 2003-2004 school year, and which will effect the SMS systems feeding SAIS. Detailed requirements can be found in the SAIS transaction requirements documents on the SAIS Design/Requirements website, www.ade.az.gov/Sais/saisdbdocs.asp.

General Requirements

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Membership

Attendance periods may not cross 1 week's boundaries. Districts may submit attendance in increments not to exceed one week in length, with the week starting on Sunday and ending on Saturday. (Source: ADM calculations specified in ARS 901.)
NEW SAIS ELEMENT: Withdrawal Reason (Source: NCLB) • withdrawal due to school choice: individual transfer option • withdrawal due to school choice: underperforming school • withdrawal due to school choice: school labeled as persistently dangerous Rather than alter the Student Withdrawal transaction in this second year of SAIS, ADE will capture this information via a separate online and batch collection screen.

Needs

NEW TRANSACTION: Support Program Participations: this transaction appeared in early SAIS documents called "Supplementary Program Participation", and was identified as a future requirement. (Source: federal requirements)
Add new Special Education Needs validation rules.   Concurrent services at the same school for similar Needs for a single student will cause an error in Integrity processing. (Source: ADE) The similar Needs are: • ED and EDP • A and (ED and/or EDP) • MD and MDSSI • MIMR and/or MOMR and/or SMR.

Code Values

Data Transaction Code Values: • Remove SPED Exit Reason code value 6 (Moved, not known to be continuing). This code will no longer be used. (Source: federal requirements) • Update the list of Support programs used in the re-worked Support Program Participation. (Source: federal requirements) • Add a new code for the Giftedness area: "Non-Verbal Reasoning". (Source: ARS 15-203.A.15)